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- 10/97 Yeager M, Kumar S and Hughes AL. "Sequence convergence in the peptide binding region of primate and rodent MHC Ib molecules". Departments of Biology/Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Joint Symposium, The Pennsylvania State University, PA.
- 10/97 Yeager M. "MHC involvement in autoimmune and infectious diseases". Advanced Genetics Course, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA.
- 02/98 Yeager M, Carrington M and Hughes AL. "Class I and Class II MHC bind self peptide sets that are strikingly different in their evolutionary characteristics". Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, University of Wisconsin Madison.
- 03/97 Yeager M and Hughes AL. "MHC Evolution, Peptide Binding and Implications in Disease Associations". Neuroimmunology Section, Department of Neurology, Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO.
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